

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: Aloise et al.  
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INSTRUMENT**  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT - AFTER NON-FINAL REJECTION**

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2006. The Examiner has indicated that claims 48-89 are pending in the application and claims 48-89 are rejected. The present response includes the following:

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